THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) No hydro-electric power project is contemplated to be set up in Bidar District of Karnataka, in near future. However, scope for setting up two mini hydel projects has been identified.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

Power Generation in Eighth Plan

4142. SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the cost of installation of per Megawatt (MW) of thermal, hydel and atomic power stations, respectively;

(b) the share of thermal, hydel and atomic power in the projected additional capacity of power generation in the Eighth Plan period; and

(c) the sources of funding for the additional capacity of generation, transmission and distribution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House

(b) and (c). The Eighth Plan has not yet been finalised.

Expenditure Incurred in Generation of Power through NCES in A and N Islands

4143. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the total expenditure incurred in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Island for generating power through non-conventional energy sources as on 31st January, 1992 and the installed capacity of power generation by these projects; and

(b) the actual generation of power for the last one year giving month-wise break-up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). In the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, small power generating units based on Solar Photovoltaic, Wind Energy and Biomass energy generation technologies have been installed in different locations in a decentralised way. Installation of 15 small wind battery chargers worth Rs. 4.06 lakh has been taken up of which 9 Mahines have so far been installed. 4 nos. of Biomass based gasifiers and Stirling energy of aggregate capacity 14.90 kilowatt (equivalent) have been installed in mechanical and electrical mode at a reported expenditure of Rs. 6.432 lakh. In addition, another 100 kilowatt gasifier system has been installed under a separate R & D Project at a reported expenditure of Rs. 3.70 lakh. About 200 nos. of Solar Photovoltaic Systems of aggregate capaicty of about 125 kilowatt have been taken up at different locations for street lighting, community television/ lighting, water pumping and small power generating units. Out of these 17 numbers of small power plants of about 85 kilowatt total capacity are under installation. Solar Photovoltaic modules have been provided by the Department of Non-Conventional Energy Sources and cost of balance of systems and other charges have been met my the Union Territory Administration. Non-conventional energy devices being small in